

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A method for receiving an application in a desired language with correct regional settings from a server comprising the steps of:
- using a client to access the application on the server;
- determining a language preference for the client;
- converting the content of the application to the client's language preference by
- 10 using a selected one of the language pack software modules on the server corresponding to the language preference;
- formatting the content of the application with regional settings corresponding to the client's language preference by using a text converter on the server; and
- transmitting the converted content of the application from the server to the client.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of using a client to access an application on a server comprises the steps of:
- sending a regional settings string from the client to the server;
- reading the regional settings string at the text converter; and
- adopting regional settings for the client at the text converter.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of formatting the content of the application with regional settings corresponding to the client's language preference comprises the steps of:
- 25 calling the text converter with data sensitive to regional settings;
- formatting the sensitive data to the regional settings corresponding to the client's language preference and converting the data to a string; and
- returning the formatted string to an Active Server Page Engine.
- 30 4. A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing the steps recited in claim 1.

5. A computer system with a client capable of accessing an application residing on a server and sending a regional settings string to the server, wherein the server can provide client application content in a variety of languages with correct regional settings and the server comprises:

5 a local string software module residing on the server and operable for determining a client's language preference;

a plurality of language pack software modules residing on the server, each corresponding to a language and operable to convert the content of the application into a different language; and

a text converter residing on the server and operable for receiving data sensitive to regional settings and converting the sensitive data to a format corresponding with the client's language preference.

6. The system of claim 5, wherein the server is further operable for:
receiving the regional settings string from the client;
reading the regional settings string at the text converter; and
adopting the regional settings for the client at the text converter.

7. The system of claim 5, wherein the text converter software module residing on the server is further operable for:

receiving a call from an ASP Engine software module with data sensitive to regional settings;

formatting the sensitive data;

converting the formatted data into a string; and

returning the formatted string to an Active Server Page Engine.

8. A method for receiving an application in a desired language with correct regional settings from a server comprising the steps of:

using a client to access the application on the server;

sending a regional settings string from the client to the server;

5 reading the regional settings string at a text converter;

adopting the regional settings for the client at the text converter;

determining a language preference for the client;

converting the content of the client application to the client's language preference by using a selected one of the language pack software modules on the server corresponding to
10 the language preference;

calling the text converter with data sensitive to regional settings;

formatting the sensitive data to the regional settings corresponding to the client's language preference and converting the data to a string; and

returning the formatted string to an Active Server Page Engine; and

transmitting the converted content of the application from the server to the client.

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